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FOOD FOR PEACE FACT SHEET

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Food Security Situation*

- Widespread food shortages in North Korea result from long-term declines in soil fertility, structural/economic factors, shortages of inputs (e.g., fuel, fertilizers) and vulnerability to extreme weather events, including severe 2009/10 winter and heavy rains in 2010.
- Approximately a third of the country's 24 million people are chronically food insecure, according to the World Food Program. The United Nations Food and Agricultural Organization estimates an import requirement of 867,000 metric tons of cereals for the 2010-2011 marketing year, with only 325,000 MT planned for commercial import.
- While malnutrition rates among children have decreased the last decade, one in every three children remains chronically malnourished or 'stunted' and a quarter of all pregnant and breast-feeding women are also malnourished.



Map: CIA World Factbook

Total Food for Peace Contributions

Fiscal Year 2011	-----	-----
Fiscal Year 2010*	\$2.9 million	-----
Fiscal Year 2009	\$5.6 million	21,000 MT
Fiscal Year 2008	\$93.7 million	148,270 MT
Fiscal Year 2007	-----	-----

Food for Peace Contribution Breakdown

Partners	FY10		FY09	
	Emergency		Emergency	
	USD in millions	metric tons	USD in millions	metric tons
NGO Consortium*	----	----	\$5.6	21,000
WFP*	----	----	----	----

Food for Peace Program Details

Awardee:	World Food Program, NGO Consortium*
Targeted Beneficiaries:	NGO Consortium: 894,160 food insecure North Koreans WFP: 1,400,000 food insecure North Koreans
Current Projects:	Vulnerable group feeding, maternal/child health activities, food for education
Project Locations:	NGO Consortium: Vulnerable rural and urban populations in North Pyongan and Chagang provinces WFP: Rural and urban populations in eight provinces

* NGO Consortium: Mercy Corps International (lead), Christian Friends of Korea, Global Resources Services, Samaritan's Purse and World Vision; FY: fiscal year; MT: metric tons; USD: United States Dollar; WFP: World Food Program.

* Food Security Situation information is provided by the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization, NGO Consortium and WFP, December 2010.

+FY2010 figure is an adjustment